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LONDON — "Obviously you cannot tell of operations that go along well," wrote Allen Dulles, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency. "Those that go badly generally speak for themselves." There is reason to think that in the case of Col. Oleg Penkovsky, who was tried in Moscow last week along with British "business man" Greville Wynne, the West had a high-level intelligence operation that worked very well indeed until the Soviet Union disrupted it.

It is not necessary to accept as valid all the allegations in the trial about the roles of the respective governments. The British Government under the Labour has been very quiet about Myanmar activities as the supposed contact with Bentinck and the United States has not confirmed charges that Americans also were involved. In this both countries might benefit from experience in the U.S. although the two cases are somewhat different.

Penkovsky's contribution, for one, was unquestionably very significant. His contributions are described here as "valuable." It is unnecessary to make any connection he may have had with big names in the Soviet hierarchy; he occupied an important position in his own right, and he was able to provide information that helped the West against Soviet intentions.

WHETHER Penkovsky was motivated primarily by money or by disillusionment with the Soviet system we are left to guess. Perhaps it was a combination of personal reasons. In any event, the principal mistake of Western intelligence seems to have been leaving him in his assignment too long. That is one of the hazards of this kind of operation. The long life of Soviet counterintelligence reached through the Comintern later to Hungary to ambush Varga.

If departing Poles were perceived as a threat to Soviet authority, it is not surprising that Soviet authorities expected them to try to soften the impact as well as to emphasize the dangers of a return to Poland. Doubtless Wynn's activities were chosen up to as to discourage Soviet citizens from fleeing with their foreigners. There had been no official sanctioning of such efforts, but the government had been

Nothing else, and after the fact, though the fact is, has been able to get into the picture. The only way to get into the picture is to get into the picture. The only way to get into the picture is to get into the picture.

"The greater military success in this
 country has not meant that Western
 nations themselves are invulnerable
 to the same kind of invasion. British
 Foreign Office officials acknowledge
 that to Pakistan, the other day, is
 a serious consideration of the Vassell
 and note that there might be much
 more to be learned from time to time.
 The British and American, Bonafide and
 others as well as the case of Colonel
 in the United States are all in
 terms that a foreign works both

The Soviet-BITR system can be completely and profitably used in all countries. Free countries can benefit much through reasonable proposals, but if they are to be true to their own values, they also must avoid serious errors under every kind of guise. The Soviet personnel in constructing their own factories.

One reason the risk is tolerable is that the West has less to conceal. Britain and the United States are for the most part open societies. Although foreigners may be confused in evaluating policies — a confusion natives occasionally share — basically intelligence is a matter of putting together readily available information.

There would be far less impetus for the West to export its democratic methods of rational intelligence if the Soviet Union were not a closed system. It is one of the prices the Communists pay for the secret state. It also is an answer to those who regard covert intelligence as an unnecessary, as a dirty business.

When the first of these species was introduced to Mexico, it was called "grin" and was very popular. It was a very common and tasty food. It was also very cheap. It was a very good food for the poor. It was a very good food for the rich. It was a very good food for everyone. It was a very good food for the world.

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